

## THE HAYWORD FAMILY

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### The Hayward Family [1848 - 1891]

One of the most interesting families to own 'Bleak House' appear to have been the Haywards.

Thomas Hayward purchased the property from James Pipe in 1848.

Unfortunately Thomas, who was a Wheelwright & Pumpmaker<sup>1</sup>, died the same year and ownership passed to his Wife-Honoria and, a few years later, to the Trustees of his Estate, who administered it on behalf of the Widow.

They had six children namely :-

1] THOMAS.	-	Born 1823	Died 1900	(Aged 77)
2] SARAH ANN.	-	" 1833	" 1899	( " 65)
3] HARRIET.	-	" 1834	" 1834/35	in her 1st year.
4] HARRIET	-	" 1835	" 1860	(Aged 25)
5] WILLIAM.	-	" 1838	" 1901	( " 63)
6] CHARLOTTE	-	" ?	" ?	?

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Sarah Ann Hayward, the eldest Daughter, never married, remaining a Spinster until her death on 27th March 1899.

A second Daughter - Harriet, sadly died shortly after she was born.

Yet another Daughter was born to the Haywards the following year in 1835 and was also named Harriet. Like her Sister, she remained a Spinster. She died on 13th October 1860 at the early age of 25.

The remaining Daughter Charlotte married a Mr. James Wood and in Harriet's Will, drawn up in 1860, her two children were named as beneficiaries. At this particular point in time, it is known that her Husband had died and she was described as a Widow. (Please refer to Chapter relating to Wills & Probates.)

1. Sutton Coldfield Directory 1830

Thomas Hayward, the elder Son, followed in his Father's footsteps as a Wheelwright in Sutton Coldfield.<sup>2</sup>

He also took the decision to diversify and from the early age of 18 began to gain experience as a Timber Merchant.<sup>3</sup> It was from this enterprise that he later accumulated his wealth.

It is known that in 1850 he occupied the Mill Buildings at Wyndley, which he leased from Lord Somerville, as he did Wyndley Pool & Dam and a House & Wheelwrights Shop at nearby Maney. He owned land in Coles Lane, together with a barn and adjoining land in Sutton Park, known as Park Farm.<sup>4</sup>

#### Wyndley Mill.

Wyndley Pool, which is situated adjacent to where the Mill once stood, was mentioned as long ago as 1535 when a Mr. John Leland, on a visit to Sutton Coldfield, referred to Windle Pool.<sup>5</sup>

It is believed to have been constructed even earlier, around the years 1413-1422, to supply bream to the Manor House, for the periods when the Earls of Warwick were in residence.

It is uncertain when the Mill itself was built, but the first indication was in 1669, The Parish Register noting that a John Wood from the Blade Mill was buried.<sup>6</sup> The Mill turned out blades & agricultural tools of various kinds.

In an account by Zaccharia Twamley, it was stated that Wyndley was originally called a rolling mill and used for that trade.

By 1840 it had subsequently been adapted to a Sawing Mill by Thomas Hayward.<sup>7</sup>

It was mentioned in a lecture on 'Old Sutton' by George Sidwell that Haywards Mill was making thousands of barrows for the railway Contractors working on the Birmingham-Sutton line. (1860-62)<sup>8</sup>

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2. Sutton Coldfield Directory 1850.

3. " " " 1854.

4. 1850 Rate Book (No 164) - Sutton Coldfield Local History Dept.

5. The Water Mills of Sutton Coldfield - Sansome 1978. GSH 65.232.

6. The Mills of Sutton Coldfield by R J Williams 1982. GSH 65.232.

7. History of Sutton Coldfield, Circa 1855 - Twamley. SH 97 Sut.

8. The Water Mills of Sutton Coldfield - Sansome 1978 GSH 65.232

As we know, Thomas Hayward died in 1900 and just prior to this Wyndley Mill passed into the ownership of one Joseph Thickbroom, a Timber Merchant & Wheelwright of 28, Duke Street, Maney.<sup>9</sup>

It is ironic to note that, on the 19th June 1901, a flood occurred which caused the dam to burst and brickwork and the mill wheel itself was washed away.<sup>10</sup>

By the 1960's the Mill was derelict and, in the Winter of 1962-63, the roof collapsed under the weight of snow, following a storm. A subsequent decision was made to demolish the building.

The precise location of the Saw Mill, and its close proximity to Wyndley Pool, can be ascertained by reference to the Ordnance Map of the area.<sup>11</sup>

A photograph, circa 1910, shows Wyndley Pool Dam, sawn timber and logs waiting to go to the Saw Mill.<sup>12</sup>

In 1855, it is interesting to note that Thomas Hayward appeared as a Witness at an Inquiry convened to look into allegations that the Warden & Society were not managing the affairs of Sutton in the correct manner, in accordance with the terms of the Charter bestowed upon them.<sup>13</sup>

In his examination by Mr. Clabon, Thomas Haywards replies to several pertinent questions, indicate that he was of the opinion the Warden & Society were failing in their duties in the adequate running of the Park. Particular mention was made of the lack of proper maintenance of the woodland, the upkeep of the roads and the inaccessability of the Corporation, especially at Meetings.

In 1869, on the 4th August, Thomas Hayward became a new Trustee of the Birmingham, Watford Gap & Kingsbury branch turnpike roads.<sup>14</sup>

(For further information on the turnpike roads - please refer to separate chapter.)

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9. Popular Guide to Sutton Park. 3rd Edition 1901 - Sidwell & Durant. SH 97 SuT.
  10. The Water Mills of Sutton Coldfield - Sansome 1978. QSH 65 232.
  11. Ordnance Survey Map - 3rd Edition 25" scale. Sutton Coldfield Local History Dept.
  12. Sutton Park its History & Wildlife - Douglas & Jones
  13. Copy of 1st days proceeding, taken from the Inquiry at Sutton Coldfield (August 1855) - Sutton Coldfield Local History Dept.
  14. List of Trustees dated 4/8/1869 - Jewel Baillie Collection No 315 - Archives Dept, Birmingham Central Library.

By referring to the Minutes of the Warden & Society, certain business transactions can be seen to be recorded involving Thomas Hayward. <sup>15</sup>

As with most people, life did not always run smoothly, as the Minutes dated 14/6/1852 testify. From these, we see that an action had been brought against Thomas Hayward by a Mr. Greatrex, for alleged trespass! <sup>16</sup>

Further evidence, which confirmed Thomas Hayward's standing in the community, was the fact that in August 1885 he became a Trustee of the Municipal Charities in the Borough of Sutton Coldfield. <sup>17</sup> He was eventually succeeded by Alderman S.C. Emery. <sup>18</sup>

At that time Thomas Hayward, a wealthy man, was living at the Manor House, Manor Hill, where he continued to reside until his death on 22nd October 1900, aged 77. <sup>19</sup>

He left a widow, Elizabeth, who survived him by a further five years and who died in December 1905, aged 91.

On the 1st March 1906, shortly after her death, 'The Manor' was sold by Auction at the Grand Hotel, Birmingham via Lythall & Walters, <sup>20</sup> the Solicitors being Messrs. Maycock & Hayward. Francis Goodall Hayward being Thomas Hayward's Nephew.

The household furniture & effects were sold a little later, on the 21st March.

Also included in the Auction was a nearby property known as 'Somersfield', Manor Hill. This was owned by Thomas Hayward and tenanted by a Captain. M.S. Pasley. <sup>21</sup>

15. Copies of various Minutes of the Warden & Society - Sutton Coldfield Local History Dept.

16. As above.

17. The Charters of the Royal Town of Sutton Coldfield 1935 (QSH 31) - As above.

18. Popular Guide to Sutton & Park. 3rd Edition 1901 - 5th Edition 1924 (SH 9750T)

19. Manor House (QSH 53.9 MAN) - As above.

20. Sales Catalogue of 1906 (QSH 53.9 MAN) - As above.

21. Sales Catalogue of 1906 " " - " "

Thomas Hayward's younger brother William also ran his own business. The 1861 Census revealed that he was the Proprietor of a Japanning & Papier Maché Manufacturing Co. He employed 10 men & 16 women workers which would have made it quite a large enterprise.

His premises were situated at 18, Camden Street, Birmingham and subsequently two of his three Sons joined him in the firm.

### The Japanning Trade. <sup>22.</sup>

Some consider that John Baskerville was the inventor of papier maché. It is thought possible that a material of similar character was used by John Baskerville for japanned trays & snuff boxes.

Henry Clay, who served his apprenticeship under John Baskerville, progressed a step further and used it as a substitute for wood, in the manufacture of larger articles.

The method adopted in the first instance in preparing the papier maché was, as the name indicates, by reducing the paper to pulp and pressing it into the required shape.

In 1772 Clay took out a patent for the manufacture of boards or panels of papier maché, made by pasting together a number of sheets of paper of a spongy character to any required thickness which, when prepared, could be worked with cabinet maker's tools into various formats. It could be sawn, planed or turned like wood and, after being japanned, it could be brought up to a highly polished finish.

The lightness of the new material, combined with a good density, ideally suited it for use in the manufacture of occasional tables, cabinets, panels

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22. The Making of Birmingham being a History of the Rise & Growth of the Midland Metropolis by Robert K Dent. Published by J L Allday 1894. - Birmingham Central Library



for doors and carriages, sedans & other articles that required elegance of finish.

Profits from papier maché were extremely good and when Clay's patent had expired the manufacture was taken up by other firms in Birmingham and it became one of the staple trades of the area.

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William Hayward died on the 20th September 1901, less than a year after his Brother, and he left his considerable Estate mainly to his Widow, Amy Martha Hayward and his three Sons; Herbert Thomas Hayward, Francis Goodall Hayward & Sidney Philip Hayward.

At the time of his death he resided at 'Norfolk Lodge,' Sutton Coldfield, which was situated on the corner of Lichfield Road and Little Sutton Lane,<sup>23</sup> where he had lived since January 1875, when he purchased the land from Richard Hurst Sadler.

His wife continued to live there until her death on the 9th February 1917.

Less than a year later, on the 9th January 1918 'Norfolk Lodge' and land totalling 6 Acres. 2 Rods. 10 Perches was sold to Mrs. Lillian Mary Walters at a purchase price of £3,940.<sup>24</sup>

It is interesting to note from the Abstract of Title that the three Brothers were described thus:-

Herbert Thomas Hayward (Gentleman) of 9, Broad Rd, Acock's Green, B'ham.

Francis Goodall Hayward (Solicitor) of 57, Colmore Row, B'ham.

Sidney Philip Hayward of 18, Camden St, B'ham.

It can be reasonably assumed from this that Sidney Hayward took it upon himself the task of continuing to run the family firm, whereas Francis Hayward embarked upon a career as a Solicitor.

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23. Ordnance Survey Map 1st Edition 1888 (6.3) and Revision of 1933 4th Edition  
- Sutton Coldfield Local History Dept.

24. Abstract of Title of the Personal Representatives of Lillian Mary Walters (Deceased)  
to freehold land & premises situate: fronting Lichfield Rd, Sutton Coldfield.

A brief resume' of his career and the firm of Solicitors where he practised, is detailed below :- <sup>25</sup>.

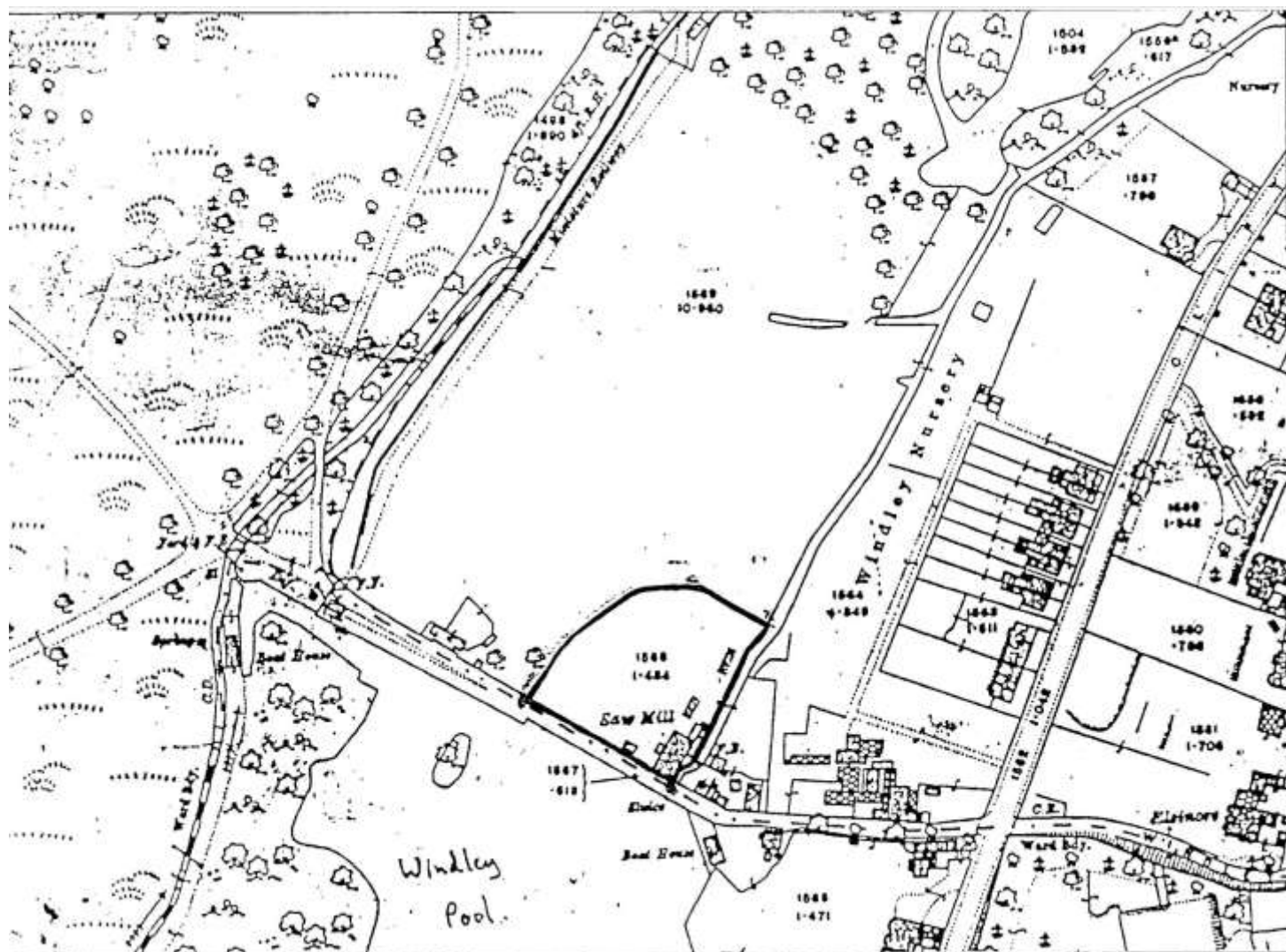
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| 1893. | - Bernard Joseph Maycock admitted as a Solicitor.                                                                                                         |
| 1895. | - Commenced practise at 102, Colmore Row, Birmingham 3 as Maycock & Co. Francis Goodall Hayward joined the firm sometime afterwards.                      |
| 1901. | - Bernard Maycock died and practise taken over by Francis Goodall Hayward. Firm then became known as Maycock & Hayward.                                   |
| 1905. | - Practise moved to 57, Colmore Row, Birmingham 3.                                                                                                        |
| 1937. | - Francis Goodall Hayward died.                                                                                                                           |
| 1992. | - Firm now known as Blackham, Maycock & Hayward with offices in Fountain Court, Steelhouse Lane, Birmingham and Ivy House, High Street, Sutton Coldfield. |

Continuing the story of 'Norfolk Lodge', it can be seen also from the Abstract of Title that Lilian Mary Walters died there on the 25th April 1961 and Probate was granted on the 7th September to her Son, Edward. H. Walters & his wife Mary Josephine of 'Ruskin Lodge', Tudor Hill, Sutton Coldfield. They in turn sold the leasehold of the land to Wimpey Homes Ltd in the late sixties and the flats, now known as Sutton Court, were built.<sup>26</sup>

In conclusion, the prominence William Hayward achieved in the local community can be ascertained by the fact that the two roads leading off Little Sutton Lane at the rear of Sutton Court are named respectively Hayward Road and Norfolk Road.

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25. Information kindly provided by Mr. J.A.V. Blackham of Blackham, Maycock & Hayward.  
26. H M Land Registry Plan issued by Gloucester District Land Registry on 9/1/1976.



Extract from Ordnance Survey 25" edition of 1914, Warwickshire sheet IV 15



Wyndley Pool Dam, c. 1900. The timber reminds us that there was a saw-mill nearby. Land to the right of the picture is now occupied by a running track, one of the numerous facilities of the Wyndley Leisure Centre.

From a postcard, postmarked 1910

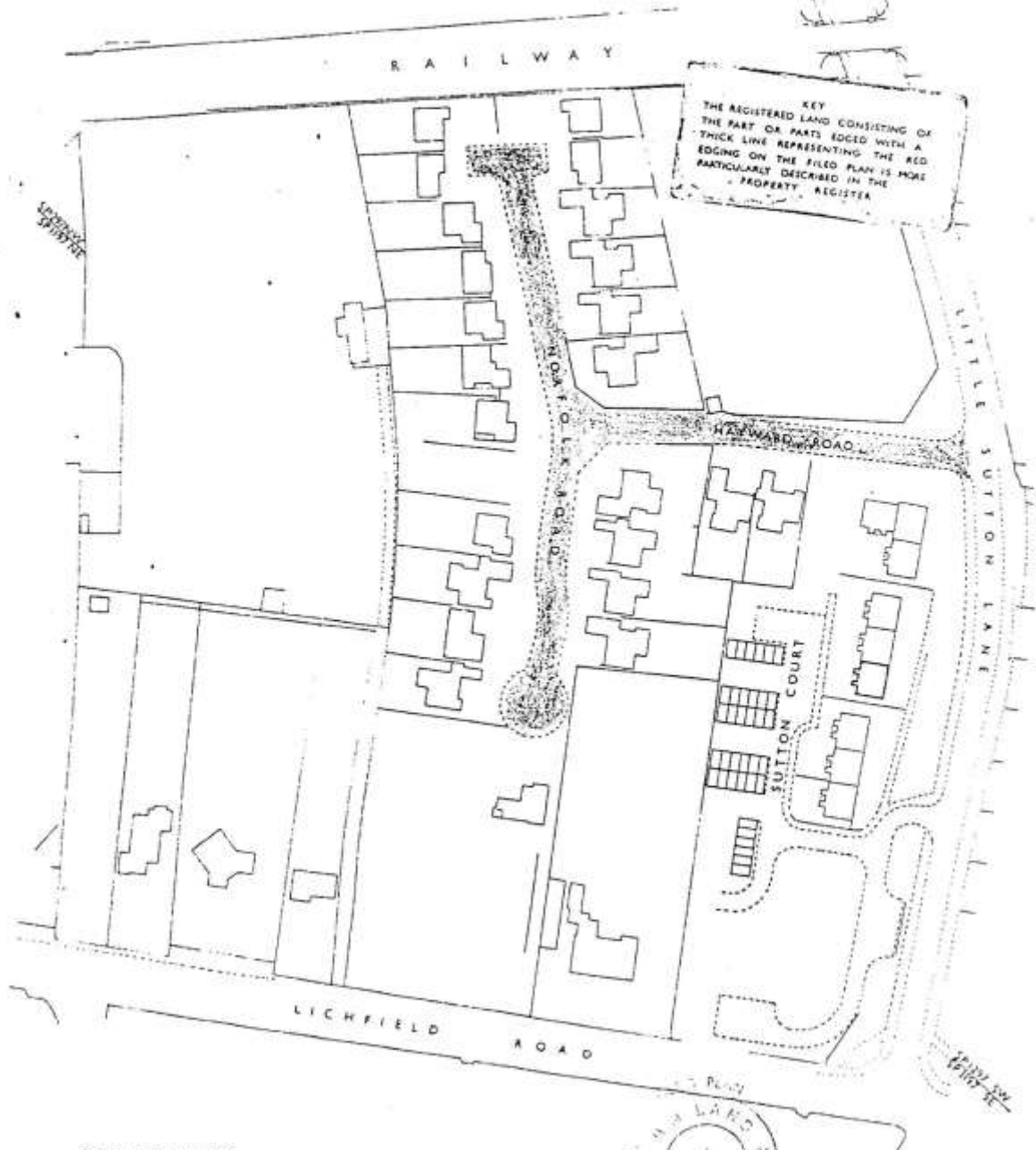


# H. M. LAND REGISTRY

NATIONAL GRID PLAN SP 1297 SECTION G  
WARWICKSHIRE

Scale 1/1250

SUTTON COLORFIELD PARISH



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Details of Wills & Probates.

NAME.	DATE OF WILL	EXECUTORS	BENEFICIARIES.	WITNESSES.	DATE OF PROBATE	SOLICITOR.	VALUE OF ESTATE	ADDRESS.	PROBATE EXTRACTED
Harriet Hayward. (Spinster)	8-10-1860	Thomas Hayward (Brother) Sole Executor.	<p><math>\frac{1}{6}</math>th of Estate to Thomas Hayward. (Brother) Timber Merchant.</p> <p><math>\frac{1}{6}</math>th of Estate to William Hayward. (Brother)</p> <p><math>\frac{1}{6}</math>th of Estate to Honoria Hayward. (Mother)</p> <p><math>\frac{2}{6}</math>ths of Estate to Sarah Ann Hayward. (Sister)</p> <p><math>\frac{1}{6}</math>th of Estate to Charlottes children. (Sister)</p> <p>Widow of James Wood, provided they reach the age of 21 (equal shares)</p>	Elizabeth Thomas Halbeard (Solicitors Clerk)	2-3-1861	Sadler & Ecklowes Sutton Coldfield.	Under £3,000	Doe Bank, Sutton Coldfield.	Sadler & Ecklowes
Sarah Ann Hayward. (Spinster)	3-5-1895	Thomas Hayward. (Brother) William Hayward. (Brother)	<p>Mary Ann Sutton (Cousin) New Road, Bunnsgrave, Worcs. - Spinster. £3,000</p> <p>Elizabeth Taylor (Cousin) - wife of Samuel Taylor, Holly Cottage, Grimley, Worcs. £100</p> <p>Ada Lacey Hopkins (Friend) - Wife of Joseph Hopkins (Baker), Egham, Surrey. £500</p> <p>Rosa Elizabeth Whitehouse (Ada Hopkins's Sister) Egham, Surrey. £500</p> <p>Mary Jane Parsons (Servant) £100 plus all clothing etc.</p> <p>China &amp; jewellery to be divided equally between all beneficiaries except Mary Jane Parsons.</p> <p>Everything remaining to go to Brothers Thomas &amp; William Hayward.</p>	U. Swinfen Coltrell. T. Edwin Carless. (Cashier)	6-5-1899	Coltrell & Son. Birmingham.	£13,789.3.7d	10, Wellington Terr., Sutton Coldfield.	Francis Goodall Hayward. (Solicitor)

NAME.	DATE OF WILL	EXECUTORS.	BENEFICIARIES.	WITNESSES	DATE OF PROBATE	SOLICITOR	VALUE OF ESTATE	ADDRESS	PROBATE EXTRACTED
Thomas Hayward (Gentleman)	7. 3. 1899	William Hayward. (Brother) Sarah Ann Hayward. (Sister)	Elizabeth Hayward (Wife) £1,000 plus wines, liquors, fuel & other consumables, household stores & provisions, linen, clothing & glass. The leasehold residence (The Manor) with Cottage, stabling, gardens, pleasure grounds, meadows, easements & appurtenances. Together with all furniture, fixtures & household effects, horses & carriages. Annuity of £1,000 Upon death of Elizabeth Hayward everything to pass to William Hayward. (Brother) Leasehold land held under two separate leases both dated 30.4.1864 between the Rt. Hon. Kenelm Lord Somerville & Hon Hugh Somerville and Thomas Hayward. Together with & including all his estate & interest whatsoever in the Crystal Palace & Grounds, the residence known as 'Umberlade' & lake or sheet of water known as Wyndley Pool to William Hayward. (Brother) Residues of estate to William Hayward & Sarah Ann Hayward upon trust. ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ds William - $\frac{1}{3}$ rd Sarah)	Maria Sneath. Sutton Coldfield.  Susan Rebecca Parkes. Sutton Coldfield.	14. 11. 1900	Maycock & Co.	£90,764-16-7d	The Manor, Sutton Coldfield.	Francis Godall Hayward. (Solicitor)

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William Hayward. (Gentleman)	4. 9. 1901.	Amy Hayward (Wife) Herbert Thomas Hayward (Son) Francis Goodall Hayward (Son) Sidney Philip Hayward (Son)	<p>Amy Hayward (Wife) - All wines, liquors, fuel and other consumable stores &amp; provisions.</p> <p>also freehold residence (Norfolk Lodge) with fields, orchards, garden and appurtenances (total of 6 acres) plus furniture, pictures, prints, musical instruments, plate, linen, china, glass &amp; other household effects of the Manor House to my wife during her life, subject to the Interest of Elizabeth Hayward (Widow of Thomas Hayward).</p> <p>plus Annuity of £1,000.</p> <p>Annuity of £1,000 to Elizabeth Hayward, under the Will of the late husband Thomas Hayward.</p> <p>Legacy of £1,000 to Edith Louise Hayward (Daughter)</p> <p>legacy of £,500 to Lilian Mary Hayward (Daughter)</p> <p>Residue of estate after sale to be divided into 7 parts :-</p> <p><math>\frac{6}{7}</math>ths in trust for three Sons, Harriette Amy Skipper, Edith Louise Hayward and Lilian Mary Hayward.</p> <p><math>\frac{1}{7}</math>th to be paid into a Trust Fund for William Clifford Hayward (Son) providing he was not an undischarged bankrupt at the time.</p> <p>[It is interesting to note in the will the remaining terms &amp; conditions applicable in respect of Son - William Clifford Hayward - the black sheep of the family perhaps?]</p>	Edwin T. Walters (Auctioneer) Doe Bank.  E. Craven. Doe Bank.	2. 10. 1901	Maycock & Hayward	£77,946-18 7d	'Norfolk Lodge' Sutton Coldfield.	Maycock & Hayward.

PRÉCIS OF CENSUS RETURNS [1851-1891]

[ HAYWARD FAMILY ]

CENSUS DATE.	NAMES OF OCCUPIERS.	AGE.	RELATIONSHIP.	CONDITION.	OCCUPATION.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
1851.	Mrs Honoria <u>HAYWARD</u> . Sarah <u>HAYWARD</u> . Elizabeth <u>PARKER</u> .	57 17 32	Head of Household. Daughter. Servant.	Widow. Unmarried. "	Proprietor. - Domestic Servant.	Fillongley. Sutton Coldfield. Aston.
1861.	Mrs. Honora <u>HAYWARD</u> . William <u>HAYWARD</u> . Sarah Ann <u>HAYWARD</u> . Mary <u>OARTON</u> .	67 33 27 17	Head of Household. Son. Daughter. Servant.	Widow. Unmarried. " "	Proprietor. Japannerd Papier Maché Manufacturer. - General Servant.	Fillongley. Sutton Coldfield. " "
1871.	Mrs Honoria <u>HAYWARD</u> . Sarah Ann <u>HAYWARD</u> . Mary J. <u>PARSONS</u> .	77 37 22	Head of Household. Daughter. Staff.	Widow. Unmarried. "	Annuitant. " General Domestic.	Fillongley. Sutton Coldfield. Hatton.
1881.	Mrs Honoria <u>HAYWARD</u> . Sarah Ann <u>HAYWARD</u> . Mary Jane <u>PARSONS</u> .	88 46 32	Head of Household. Daughter. Staff.	Widow. Unmarried. "	Retired. - General Domestic Servant.	Fillongley. Sutton Coldfield. Hatton.
1891.	Sarah Ann <u>HAYWARD</u> . Mary Jane <u>PARSONS</u> .	56 42	Head of Household. Staff.	Spinster. Unmarried.	- General Servant.	Sutton Coldfield. Hatton.



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IMPRESSED COURT SEAL

This is the last Will and Testament of me Harriet Hayward of Sutton Coldfield in the County of Warwick Spinster I Direct payment of all my just debts funeral and testamentary Expenses I Give Devise and Bequeath unto my Brother Thomas Hayward of Sutton Coldfield Timber Merchant all my Estate property and Effects both real and personal and whithersoever in possession reversion or remainder or use the same to him his heirs Executors and Administrators according to the nature thereof Upon Trust as to one sixth part thereof for his own absolute use and benefit As to one other sixth part thereof for the absolute use and benefit of my Brother William Hayward As to one other sixth part thereof for the absolute use and benefit of my Sister Anna Hayward As to two other sixth parts thereof for my Sister Sarah Ann Hayward for her own use and benefit As to the remaining sixth part thereof for all the Children now born of my Sister Charlotte the Widow of James Moore who shall live to attain the age of twenty five years in equal shares as tenants in Common with power to advance the principal or any part thereof of the said one sixth share or the whole or any part of the same arising from such share for or towards the maintenance education or support of all or any or either of such children as my said Brother Thomas Hayward his Executors or Administrators shall think proper I Devise all Estate vested in me as Tenant or Mortgagee either wholly or jointly with any other person unto my said Brother Thomas Hayward his heirs and assigns subject to the charges affecting the same And I declare that the receipt or receipts in writing of the Treasurer or Trustee for the time being acting in the execution of this my Will for any monies paid to them shall effectually discharge the purchaser or purchasers or their executors or assigns or being answerable for the misapplication or non application thereof I Appoint my said Brother Thomas Hayward Sole Executor of this my Will In Witness whereof I have to this my Will set my hand this eighth day of October One thousand eight hundred and sixty \_\_\_\_\_ Harriet Hayward \_\_\_\_\_ Signed Published and Declared by the said Testatrix Harriet Hayward as and for her last Will and Testament in the presence of us present at the same time who as her witnesses in her presence and in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names as Witnesses the words "now born" being <sup>read</sup> interlined between the 19th and 21st lines of the first side and the words "In witness whereof" above being struck through with a Pen \_\_\_\_\_ Elizabeth Strick Wife of William Medel of Birmingham Clerk

The said Harriet Hayward sent to Messrs Saddle & Eddowes Solicitors Sutton Coldfield on the 2nd day of March 1861 the Will of Harriet Catherine Harriet Hayward late of Sutton Coldfield in the County of Warwick Spinster deceased was



proved by the oath of Thomas Hayward the Brother of the Testatrix the Sole Executor therein named his having been first sworn duly to administer

Expenses under £3000.  
Contracted by Messrs Saddle & Eddowes  
Solicitors Sutton Coldfield.



ON the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 1861,  
the Will with Codicil thereto of *Harriet (otherwise Marriott)*

*Hayward*

formerly of

and late of *Sutton Coldfield in the County of Warwick*  
*Spinsters*

deceased, who died on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October 1860,  
at *the same place*

was proved in the District Registry attached to Her Majesty's Court of Probate  
at Birmingham, by the Oath of *Thomas Hayward*  
of *Sutton Coldfield aforesaid. Timber Merchant*  
*the Brother of the Deceased, the Sole*

Executor — therein named, he, having been first sworn duly to administer,  
power being reserved of making the like Grant to

the other Executor therein named

the other Executor

having renounced the Probate and Execution of the said Will and Codicil.

Effects under £3000. *as to Liability*

Extracted by *Sadler & Addowes*  
*Sol<sup>rs</sup> Sutton Coldfield*

